

Student Affairs Newsletter



The Voice of the Mighty Lions: Division of Student Affairs Monthly Update



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Student Affairs Hosts Cultural Performance and Local Food Vendors for APAHM 2018

The Division of Student Affairs celebrated the month of May as Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM), otherwise also known as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month on May 16th. Local Polynesian and Hawaiian cultural performance group Manea Dancers were invited onto CDU campus and performed a variety of cultural dances from the various island groups in Polynesia as well as Hawaii. Students and CDU staff were invited to learn and perform the dances by the group, as well as the historic and cultural significance of the music, dances, and props brought by the Manea Dancers.

Local food truck vendors "L.A.risian BBQ" and Kona Ice were also brought onto campus as part of the APAHM celebration. L.A.risian brought Filipino-fusion cuisine onto the CDU campus, specializing in the Cebu province style of barbecue with Kona Ice providing "Hawaiian-style" shaved ice as well. The Division of Students Affairs regularly hosts cultural programming and events throughout the year such as Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month. Student Affairs is always open to suggestions by students on what kind of vendors and performers they'd like to see on campus at divisional events.

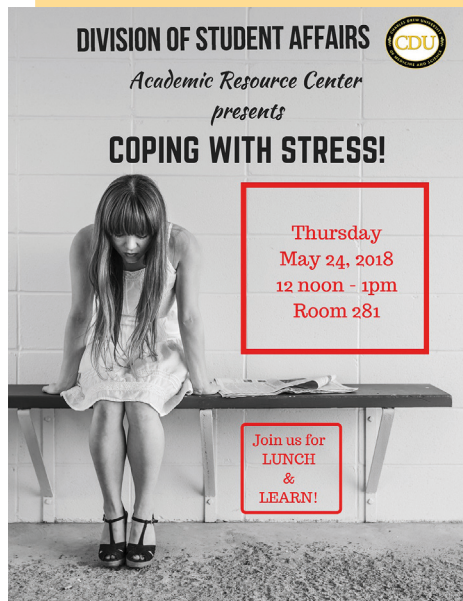


Stress Management for Students

Student Affairs Supports Students Through Finals and Stress

The Division of Student Affairs held several workshops and events during the month of May for supporting students through finals and stress related strategies. Student Affairs provided breakfast and coffee in the Cobb Lounge during the spring semester finals week, creating a quiet place to study to help students focus on their studies.

Later in the month, Student Affairs also hosted a general stress-management workshop led by the division's student Learning Specialist, Rhonda Jones, Ed.S. Student Affairs aims to provide various forms of academic and study support to CDU students, and are always open to feedback regarding subjects and types of events that students would like to see for supporting their academic endeavors. Look throughout the year for various events and workshops that Student Affairs hosts to support student learning and studies.



Division of Student Affairs Updates

With Dr. Jinny Oh



Greetings Mighty Lions,

In this edition of the Student Affairs Newsletter, we start things off with the various events that your Division of Student Affairs hosted throughout the month. Our Asian Pacific American Heritage Month highlights the various programming we host for students throughout the year.

Student Affairs also held several workshops and events geared toward destressing students through the use of educational stress management workshops, and providing a quiet place to study with breakfast and coffee for students to comfortably study during finals.

The Physician Assistant program hosted an exciting student-led conference to potential PAs right here on campus, while students from our Masters of Science Biomedical Science Program presented research findings on health disparities in nine different countries.

We had a large group of CDU students travel to Angola where they volunteered at a health clinic in Angola. As we continue to stress the university's Individual Learning Outcomes (ILO), it's clear that the Global-International Experience remains one of our strongest amongst our students.

- Jinny J. Oh, Ed.D.
Dean of Student Affairs

CDU Faculty Awards

5th Annual Faculty Awards & Academic Affairs Staff Reception



Dr. Jorge Artaza was selected as the 2018 CDU Faculty Member of the Year at the fifth annual Faculty Awards. Dr. Ebere Ume, Dr. Daphne Calmes, and Dr. Shehla Pervin were also recognized at the event.

PA Program Hosts Pre-PA Conference

CDU Physician Assistant Program Holds First Annual Pre-PA Conference

Students from CDU's inaugural Physician Assistant program hosted its first annual Pre-PA Conference on May 5th. The Pre-PA Conference was organized by current CDU Physician Assistant students to provide valuable information to other prospective students interested in applying enrolling into a physician assistant program. Activities during the conference included workshops and information sessions which were designed to guide students onto the path of becoming a PA.

The Pre-PA Conference featured over 11 different physician assistant programs from universities across California, such as University of Southern California (USC), University of La Verne, and Western University of Health Sciences. The event also featured discussion panels from currently enrolled PA students and nationally certified, practicing physician assistants. Over 80 pre-PA students came to CDU and attended the Pre-PA Conference and there are plans to make it a recurring event at CDU.



MS-BMS Students Present at Diplomat Speaker Series

MS-BMS Students Provide Multi-Country Analysis of Health Disparities

On May 31st, nine graduating students from CDU's Masters of Science in Biomedical Sciences participated in the ongoing *Diplomats on Global Health Disparities Series* in the Cobb Lounge and presented on health disparities in various countries. The analysis provided by the MS-BMS students compared health disparities statistics and information of countries with varying levels of national income for low, middle, and high income countries. The countries that the MS-BMS students presented on included: Nigeria, Finland, Egypt, Ethiopia, Qatar, Argentina, Vietnam, and Cameroon. The MS-BMS students also prepared informative posters that showed their various findings and analysis of the different countries.

The *Diplomats on Global Health Series* has been an ongoing speaker and lecture series organized by Dr. Lejeune Y. Lockett with the Office of International Affairs.



CDU Students Travel to Angola

FNP and CDU Students Volunteer in Angola Alongside CEML

CDU students from the FNP program and several others returned from Angola on May 11th after spending over a week in the country in association with the Evangelical Medical Center of Lubango (CEML). This team of primarily FNP students under the supervision of Office of International Affairs Director Dr. Lejeune Lockett and MMDSON associate dean Dr. Eberé Ume led daily medical seminars with the CEML nursing staff, sharing their knowledge and passion for healthcare challenges faced in Angola. On this same trip included a CDU student veteran from the BS-BMS program that shared his experiences as a student veteran and PTSD.

This is the first trip that CEML has collaborated with CDU and its students, and the trip was intended to break ground for future opportunities that all CDU students can participate in the future. The trip with CEML aims to provide students both clinical and community exposure in the country of Angola, representing the Global-International Experience of the University.



MMDSON Appreciation Reception and Presentation

School of Nursing Hosts Reception and Poster Presentation for Students, Faculty, and Staff

Recently installed Dean of School of Nursing (SON) Dr. Diane Breckenridge invited all students, faculty, and staff affiliated with SON to a reception in LSRNE to be recognized for their various efforts throughout the year. Students and faculty that attended academic and professional conferences within the nursing field presented their contributions and works to those in attendance. Major nursing conferences attended by students and faculty within SON included the Western Institute of Nursing (WIN) Conference 2018 and the American Telemedicine Association Conference 2018.

Students and faculty also presented on various research, reviews, and academia that they contributed during the year, fielding questions and visual poster representations of their work.



Dr. Margaret Avila Farewell Reception

MMDSON Hosts Farewell Reception for Former SON Dean Dr. Margaret Avila



The Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science and Division of Student Affairs would like to thank former Mervyn M. Dymally School of Nursing Dean Dr. Margaret Avila PhD, PHN, APRN for her years of service to the University and its students, and wish Dr. Avila the best in her future endeavors.

CDU Creates Partnership with ROPTC

CDU Signs MOU with East San Gabriel Valley Regional Occupational Program Tech Center

The University signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the East San Gabriel Valley Regional Occupational Program and Technical Center (ROPTC) on May 22nd, creating another potential pathway for students to attend CDU. Executive staff and administration from both schools were present to provide brief remarks on the new relationship as well as students from both schools, including newly elected CDUSG President, Sana Abbasi.

CDU president and CEO Dr. David Carlisle, CDU Counsel John W. Patton, and CDU Executive Vice President and Provost Dr. Steve O. Michael all spoke on behalf of the University, attesting to the quality educational opportunity offered by CDU as well as its unique mission and values. The reception took place in the LSRNE building, and concluded with a campus tour around the university.



Provost Corner

with Dr. Steve Michael



Welcome to our new students starting this summer. Most of our new summer students are RN-BSN and FNP students and I am sure they are in good hands with the School leadership under the new Dean, Dr. Diane Breckenridge, who came to us with a wealth of experience as a nurse professional, nurse educator, and nurse administrator.

I am pleased to report that members of our new CDU Student Government were sworn in on June 11th, 2018. The new CDUSG will begin its reign effectively immediately. Congratulations to our newly elected government and thank you to the outgoing government for excellent campus leadership.



The summer session is relatively a lighter semester on campus as many students take time off their studies to travel, work, and perhaps relax. While we urge you all to enjoy the summer with all its exciting activities, we encourage you to be safe and to know that your CDU family is anxiously waiting for your return. Wherever you go, we hope you will take CDU spirit of community, leadership, excellence, diversity, integrity, and compassion—the CDU CLEDIC—with you.

Bon voyage,

Steve O. Michael, Ph.D., Executive Vice President of Academic Affairs and University Provost

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- NUR 510: Pharmacology
- NUR 512: Medical Surgical
- NUR 513: Maternal-Child Nursing
- Math 126: College Algebra
- Biostatistics and Epidemiology

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